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re: discrimination against people disabled by pollution

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health and Welfare will hear testimony today from Health and Welfare officials on a concern of the environmentally sensitive (people disabled by pollution).

On 26 May 1988 the Committee heard testimony to the effect that the principal problem faced by people intermittently.disabled by pollution and other environmental agents results from attitudinal pollution encouraged by Health and Welfare officials. Repeatedly, departmental spokespersons suggested that those affected had no legitimate medical problem, but were instead suffering due to stress.

Today's testimony comes after a three year campaign asking The Hon Jake Epp to issue a statment to turn around public misconceptions fostered by his department, the effects of which continue to cause damages. (A summary is attached.)

The hearing will be at 15:30 in room 269 West Block, on Parliament Hill.

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